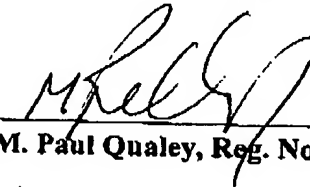


REMARKS

This is a supplemental response to the outstanding non-final Office action May 5, 2005. On May 24, 2005, a response was filed in response to the restriction requirement to prosecute the claims of Group III, corresponding to claims 18-27, without traverse. However, applicant respectfully elects to prosecute the claims of Group II, corresponding to claims 10-17 and 28-29, without traverse, and to withdraw the previous response.

Applicant expressly reserves the right to present the non-elected claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequent to the present application. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this response, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

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